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Interagency Agreement Between the Bureau of Reclamation and
BLM (Portion Addressing Mineral and Geothermal Leases)

INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

AND

THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

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responsible for reviewing requests and granting rights-of-way across its withdrawn and acquired land and facilities (see section 5.A.). Reclamation will furnish BLM's respective State Director with a copy of all grants on withdrawn lands, including maps, which it issues, to be recorded on BLM's Master Title Plats.

When land under this or any other agreement is managed by a third party, Reclamation will coordinate with that party before issuing rights-of-way that would interfere with the activities of the managing party. On all rights-of-way for which Reclamation lacks authority to make a grant, BLM will issue the grant on all withdrawn or acquired lands, after consultation with Reclamation. Such consultation shall include: (1) questions of whether grant should or should not be granted; (2) modification of location of grant from the location applied for; and (3) terms and conditions and stipulations of the grant.

G. Making of Planning Studies and Engineering Investigation on Public Lands. Under the provisions of section 307(a) or other legal authority, Reclamation may enter onto the public lands to make studies and investigations necessary for project purposes, as required or authorized by Congress. Such studies and investigations will be fully coordinated with the BLM to ensure minimum disruption of ongoing programs.

→ H. Mineral and Geothermal Leases. Except for those minerals and conditions meeting the provisions of section 10 of the Reclamation Projects Act of 1939 (43 U.S.C. 387), leases for mineral, and geothermal resources on all land acquired or withdrawn by Reclamation will be issued by BLM. Applicants for mineral and geothermal leases on such land should be directed to file their applications with BLM's State offices. BLM will, in all issues involving mineral, and geothermal leases on or under Reclamation lands, request that Reclamation determine whether leasing is permissible and if so to provide any stipulations required to protect the interest of the United States. Reclamation will respond to this request for mineral leasing clearance within 60 days when adequate records are readily available. When adequate records are not available, Reclamation will provide an interim progress report within 30 days. BLM will not issue permits, leases, or licenses on acquired or withdrawn lands under Reclamation's management without Reclamation's consent and concurrence on all conditions and stipulations. Reclamation's recommendations on withdrawn lands under BLM management responsibility are advisory only insofar as Reclamation planned or current project uses are not adversely affected.

I. Cadastral Survey. BLM will conduct, on a reimbursable basis, cadastral surveys, resurveys, and investigations on existing and future projects in accordance with: (1) jointly agreed to schedule, provided that Reclamation will notify BLM of needs in sufficient time for it to incorporate the work into its authorized work programs; and (2) Reclamation provides the funds. If BLM is unable to accomplish a cadastral survey within Reclamation's time limits, BLM will perform the work on a

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Section 7. Supplemental Agreements: Supplemental agreements may be entered into by a BLM State Director and a Reclamation Regional Director to implement this master agreement. Those supplemental agreement needs identified within this master agreement that directly affect project authorization will be completed during the planning stage for the project.

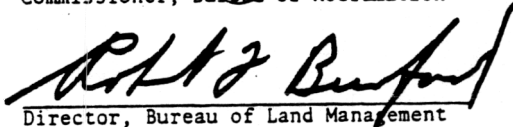
Section 8. Implementation: This agreement is effective upon signature of the heads of both agencies. A copy of this agreement will be distributed by each agency to each State and Regional Director.

Section 9. Renegotiation: This agreement is renegotiable at the option of either party.

Section 10. Termination of Agreement: This agreement may be terminated upon mutual agreement or upon 90 days written notice of either party.


Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation

3/25/83
Date


Director, Bureau of Land Management

3/25/83
Date